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Proclaim September 15, 2016, as Imagine a Day Without Water in the County of Los Angeles

The "Imagine a Day Without Water" campaign is a national effort to highlight the critical importance of reliable access to clean water and the investment in infrastructure that is necessary to protect this valuable resource. On September 15, 2016, organizations across the country will participate in efforts to raise awareness about the crucial need for water infrastructure preservation to ensure that no community in America is left without water.

Frequently, public attention on infrastructure focuses on things we see every day, such as roads, bridges, and tunnels. Yet the hidden infrastructure that reliably brings clean water to homes and businesses, and takes it away after it has been used, is actually far more vast than our highway system--*National Geographic* estimates that the country's 1.2 million miles of water mains translates to 26 miles of pipes for every mile of interstate highway. And, while the interstate system was built in the late 20th century, many of the water systems that the country's biggest cities rely on were built in the

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1800s or early 1900s.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors approve the attached proclamation observing "Imagine a Day Without Water" on Thursday, September 15, 2016, and support efforts to raise awareness about water infrastructure in the United States.

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